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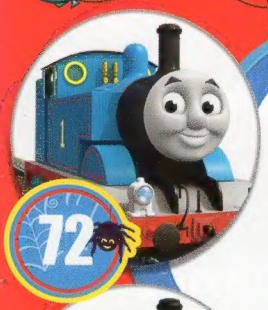

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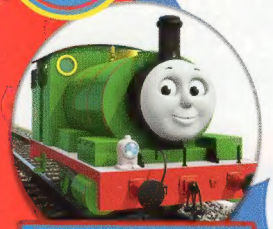

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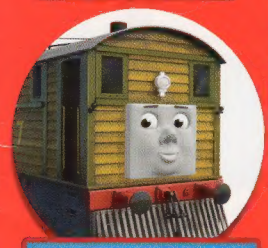

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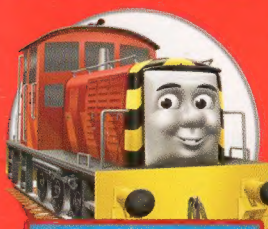

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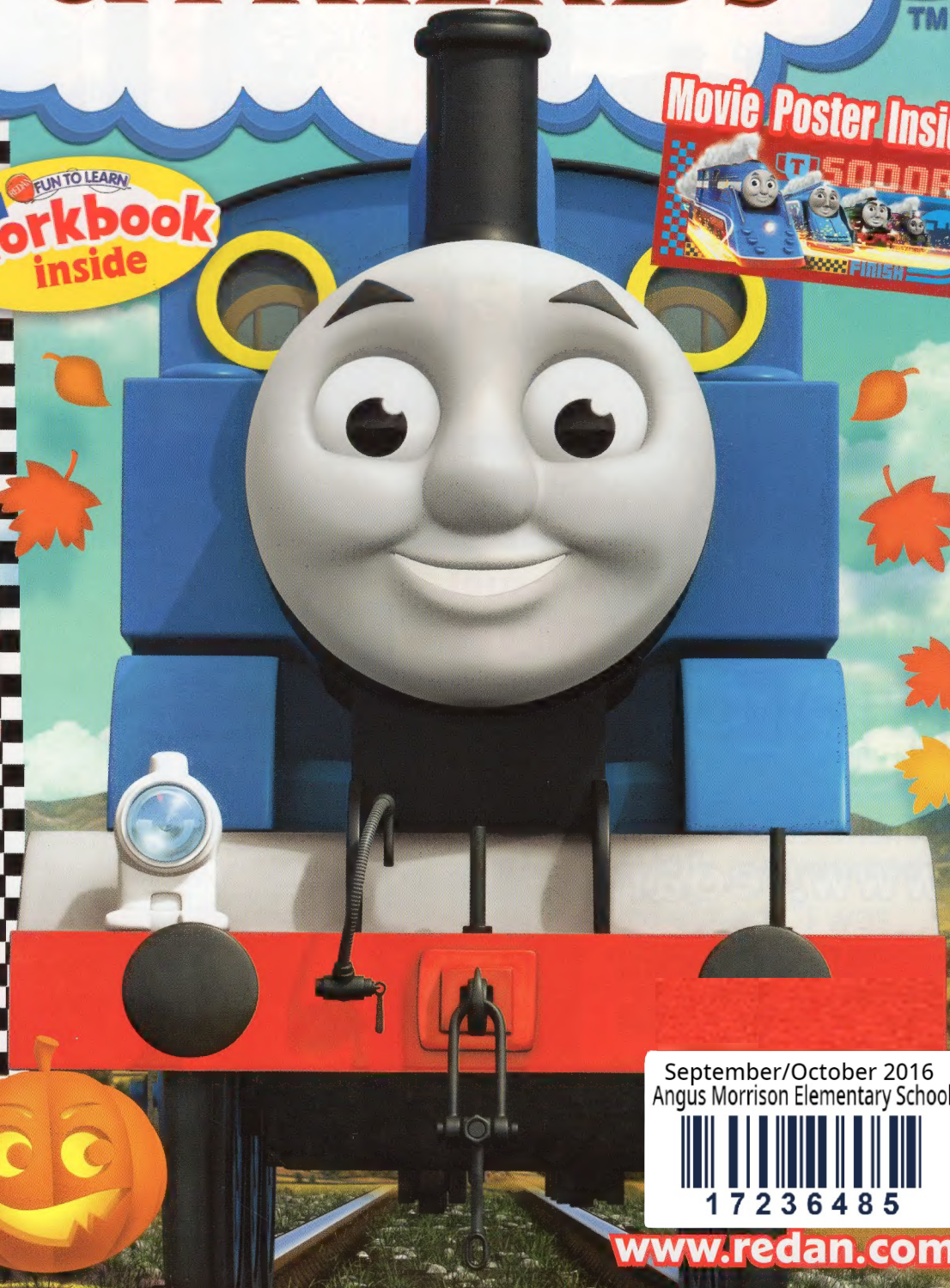

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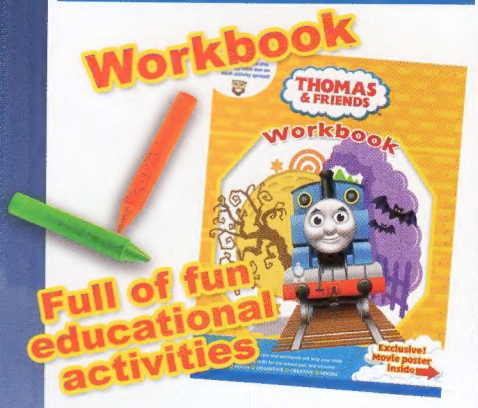

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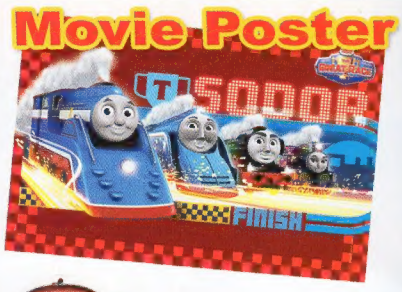

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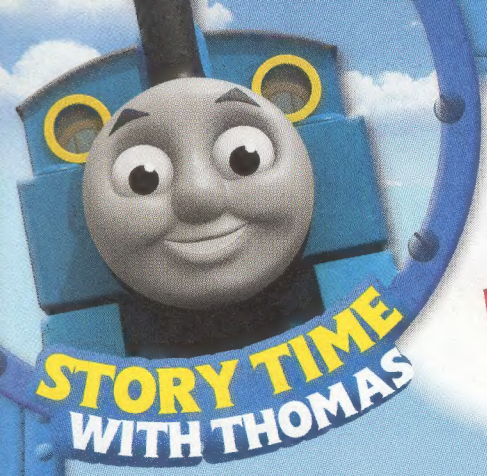
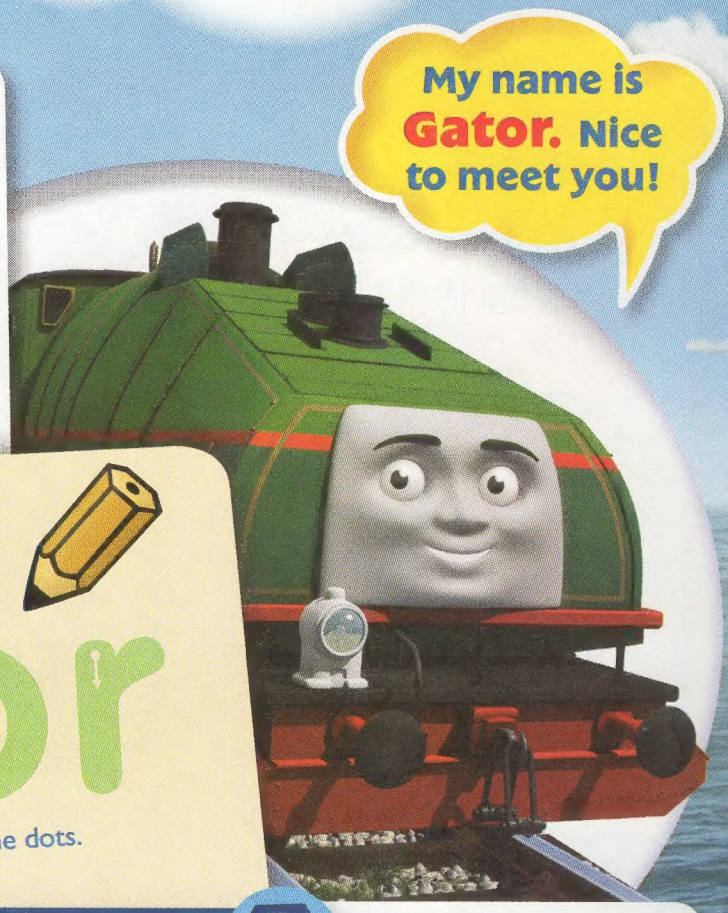


Missing Gator

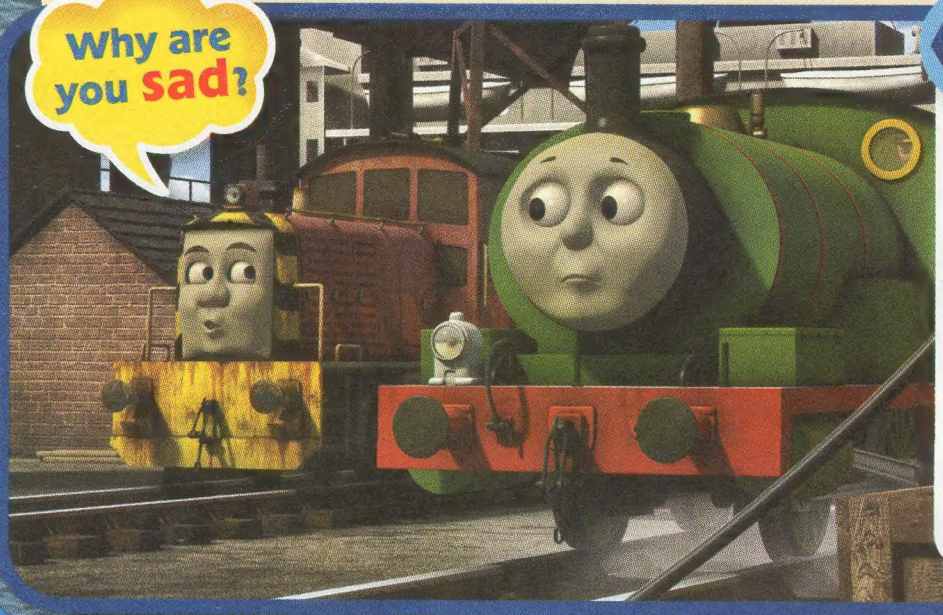
1 Long ago, an engine called **Gator** visited Sodor. He made friends with Percy and taught him how to be **brave**. When Gator left the Island, Percy missed his friend a lot.



Who does Percy miss?
Write his name.

Gator

Trace over the letters, starting at the dots.



2 One day, Salty saw Percy looking **sad**. "Why are you sad?" he asked. "I was thinking about Gator. It made me sad that he's not here," said Percy.

3 "You need to keep **busy** like me," called Cranky from up high. "That'll stop you from feeling sad about Gator!"

Who told Percy to keep busy? **Check** the correct box.

Salty ☐

Cranky ☐

4 So Percy worked **really hard**. He kept very busy. Soon, Percy was sent to the Earl's estate to pick up some trucks for **the Docks**. "No time to couple up to the trucks," thought Percy. "I have to keep myself very busy."

Oh, no!

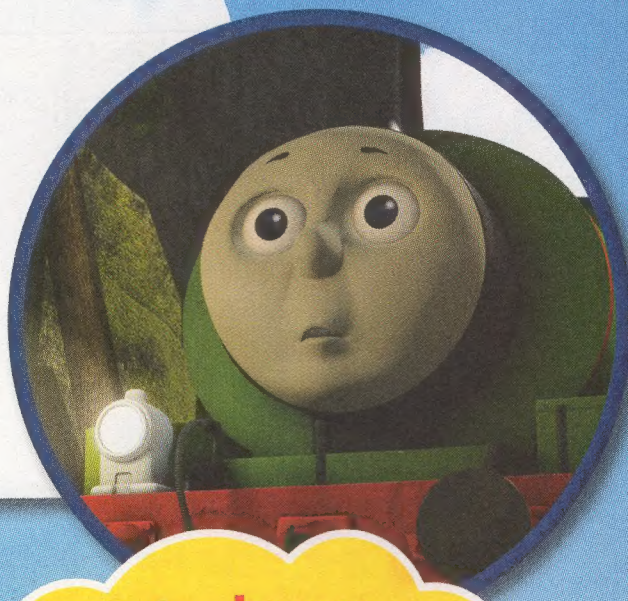
Whoaa!

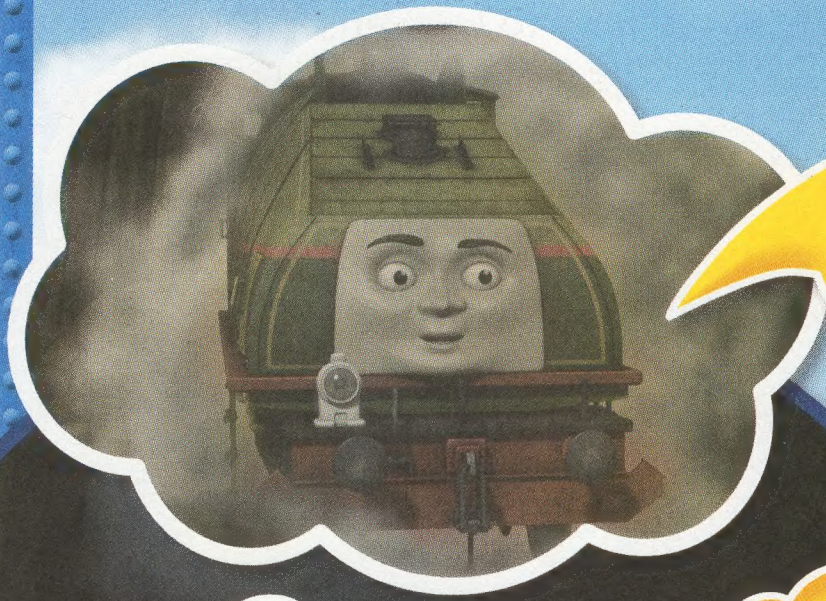
Point to Troublesome Truck's wheels.

5 Percy pushed the trucks along the track. All was well until he went over a **big hill**. On the way down, the trucks **raced** away. Percy couldn't keep up!

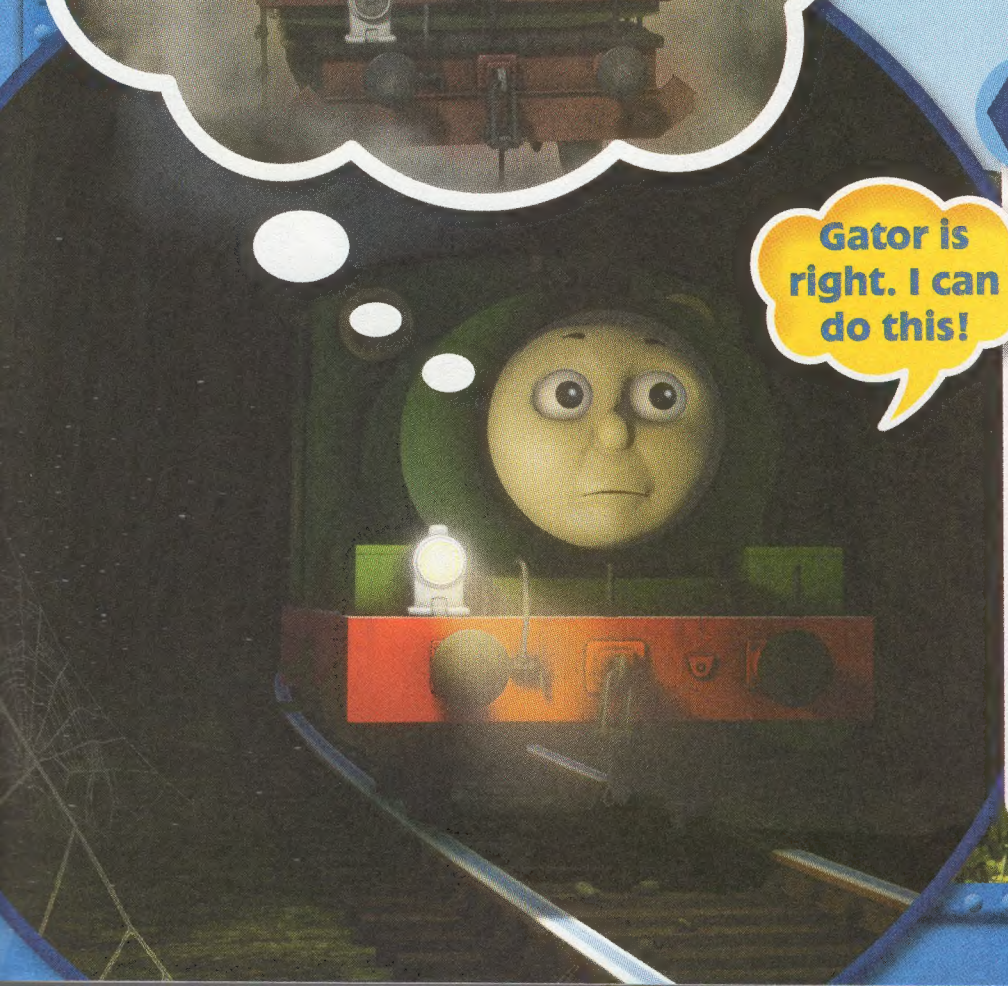
6

The trucks crashed through an old mine that was boarded up. It was **dark** inside and Percy was very **scared**. "What should I do?" he wondered. Percy thought of Gator. He remembered something his old friend had told him.





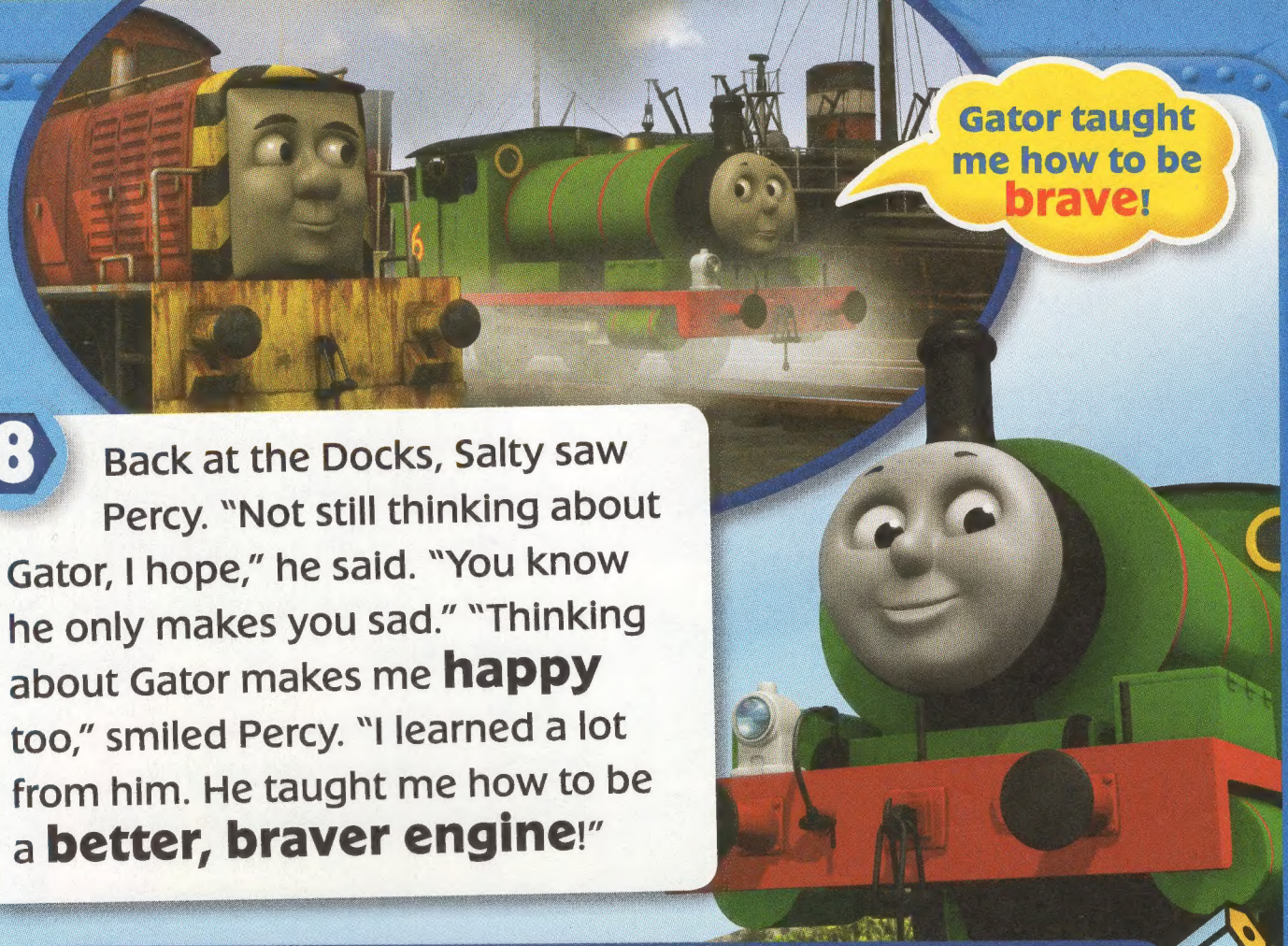
Being **brave** doesn't mean you don't feel scared. Being **brave** is about what you do even when you do feel **scared**!



Gator is right. I can do this!

7

Percy was scared but he knew **he could still be brave**. He went into the deep, dark mine and found the missing trucks. He pushed them out of the tunnel and took them all the way to the Docks.



8 Back at the Docks, Salty saw Percy. "Not still thinking about Gator, I hope," he said. "You know he only makes you sad." "Thinking about Gator makes me **happy** too," smiled Percy. "I learned a lot from him. He taught me how to be a **better, braver engine**!"

What did Percy pick up at the Earl's estate?

Check the correct box.

trucks ☐

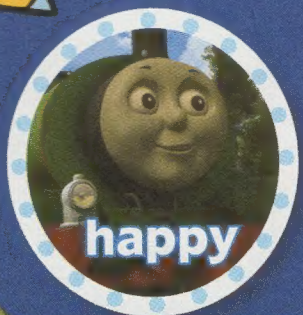
passengers ☐

Which engine helped Percy to feel brave?

Gator ☐

Salty ☐

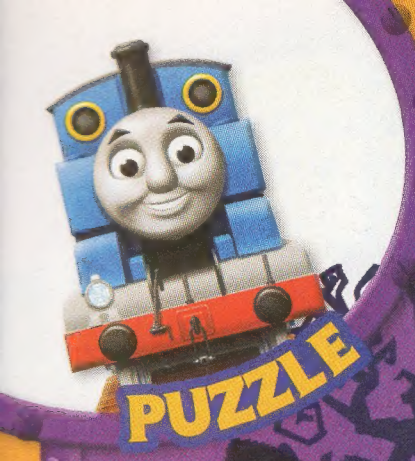
How did Percy feel in the deep, dark mine?



happy

or

scared



Mystery match

Cut out the pictures below and match them to the spaces. Make sure each line has just 1 of each of the 3 spooky pictures.

When you complete your puzzle, what can you see in the middle square?

Ghostly game

It takes 2 or more players to help Thomas get to the castle!

You will need
a dice and counters, such as a button and a penny.

Lost in the forest. Go back 1 space.

Wooo! Woooo!

Spooked! Go back

Nearly there! Go forward 1 space.

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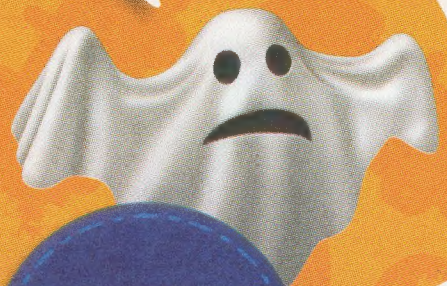
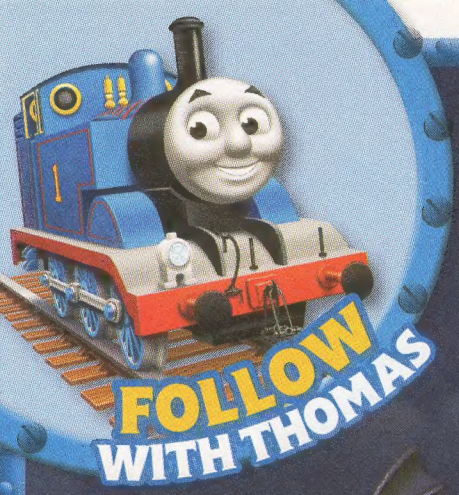


How to play

With a friend, take turns to throw a dice and move your counter along the track towards the creepy castle. The first to reach the castle is the winner!



Night-time noises

Go for a night ride with Thomas and find the way to the castle. What will you see and hear?

START

What can you **see** flying in the sky?

I can see a... bat.

Trace over the letters.

Boo!

SOMETHING TO SHARE

Talk about the different creatures that are awake at night. Take turns making their noises!

Twit
twoo!
Count the owls.
Write the number in the box.
Count the ghosts.
Write the number in the box.
Can you find this sneaky little cat hiding in the maze?
Woo!
Boo!
Woo!
FINISH

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Find and circle this friendly little owl on each activity spread!

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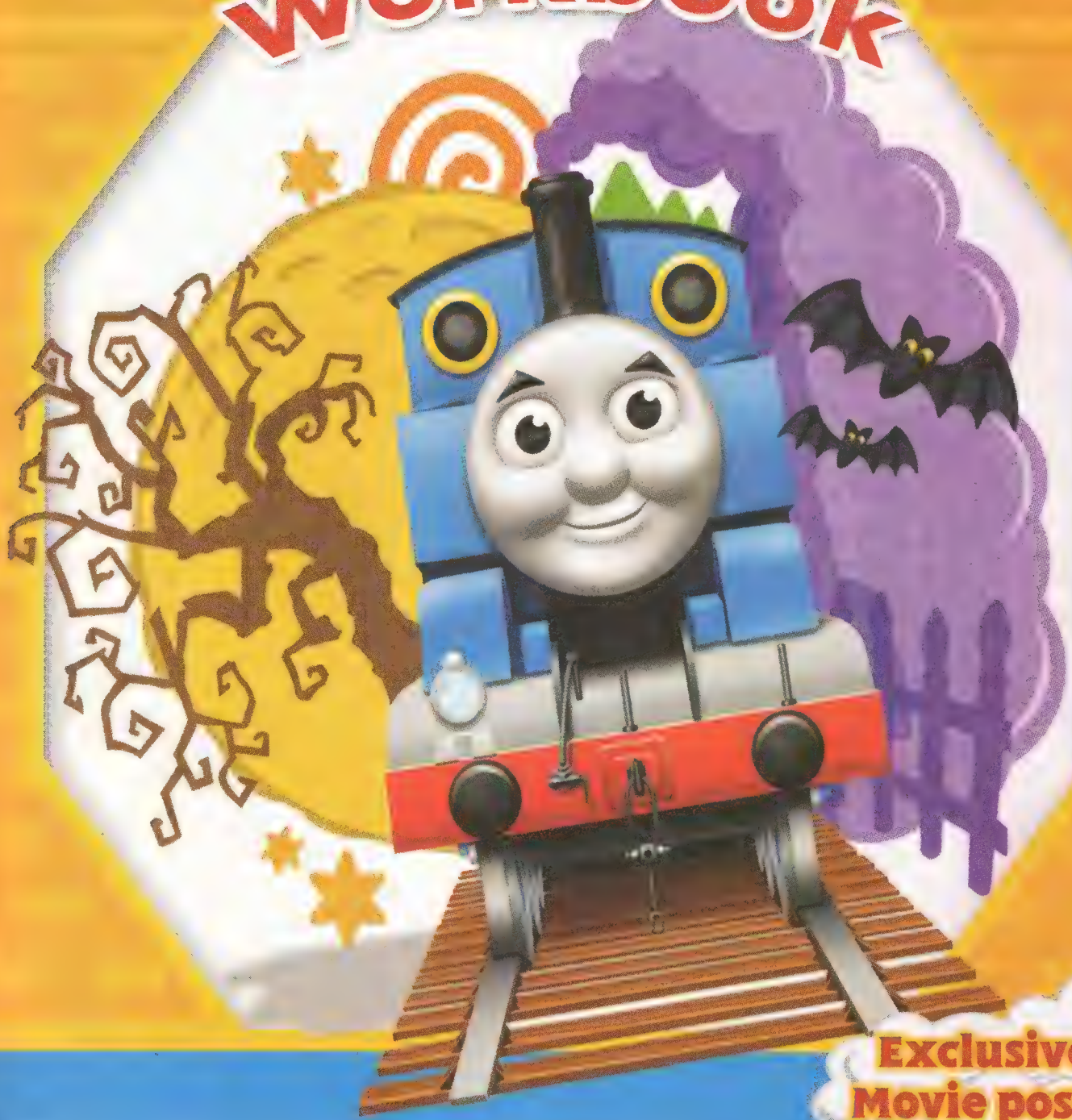

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Exclusive! Movie poster inside

Help Thomas count these Halloween things and write the numbers in the boxes.

spiderwebs

black cats

ghosts

pumpkins

Trace over the numbers, starting at the dots.

1 odd

2 even

3 odd

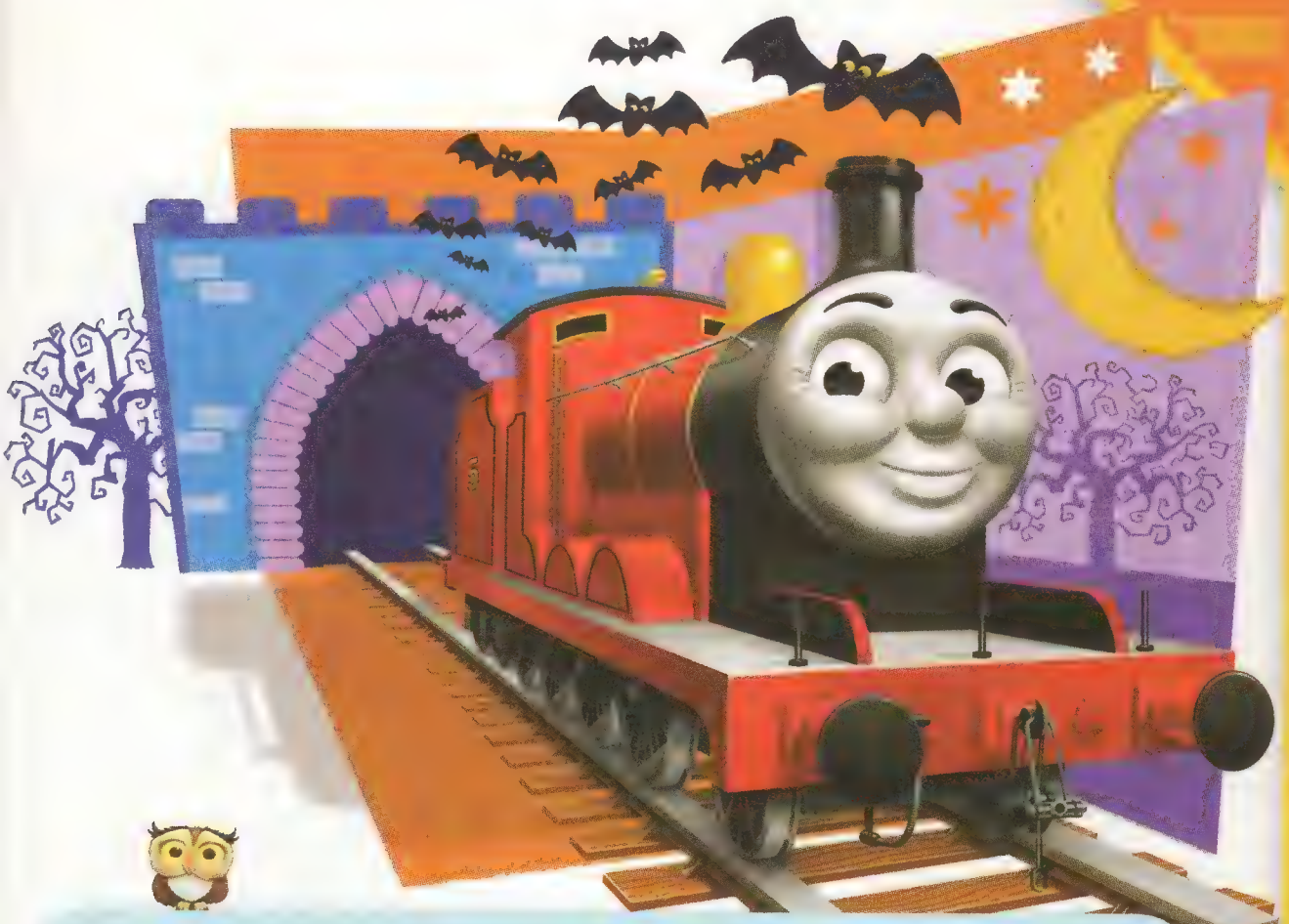
4 even

5 odd

Parent Note

Counting helps develop math skills and number recognition

James is out for a night-time ride!
Count the things he sees below.



Write the correct numbers in the boxes.

trees	stars	bats

6 even

7 odd

8 even

9 odd

10 even

Count the spiders.
Is the number odd or even?

Find

James, Percy, and Thomas are getting ready for fall on Sodor! Look carefully at picture **A** and picture **B**.

A

Circle the 2 leaves that are the same.

Parent Note

Looking carefully at pictures helps children develop their observation skills.

Find and circle 6 differences in picture B. Trace over a number in each pumpkin below when you find all six.

Here are the answers - don't peek! 1. The scarecrow is smaller; 2. Pumpkin at the front is missing; 3. Thomas' lamp is on; 4. There's a spider; 5. The moon is in the sky; 6. The windmill is gone.

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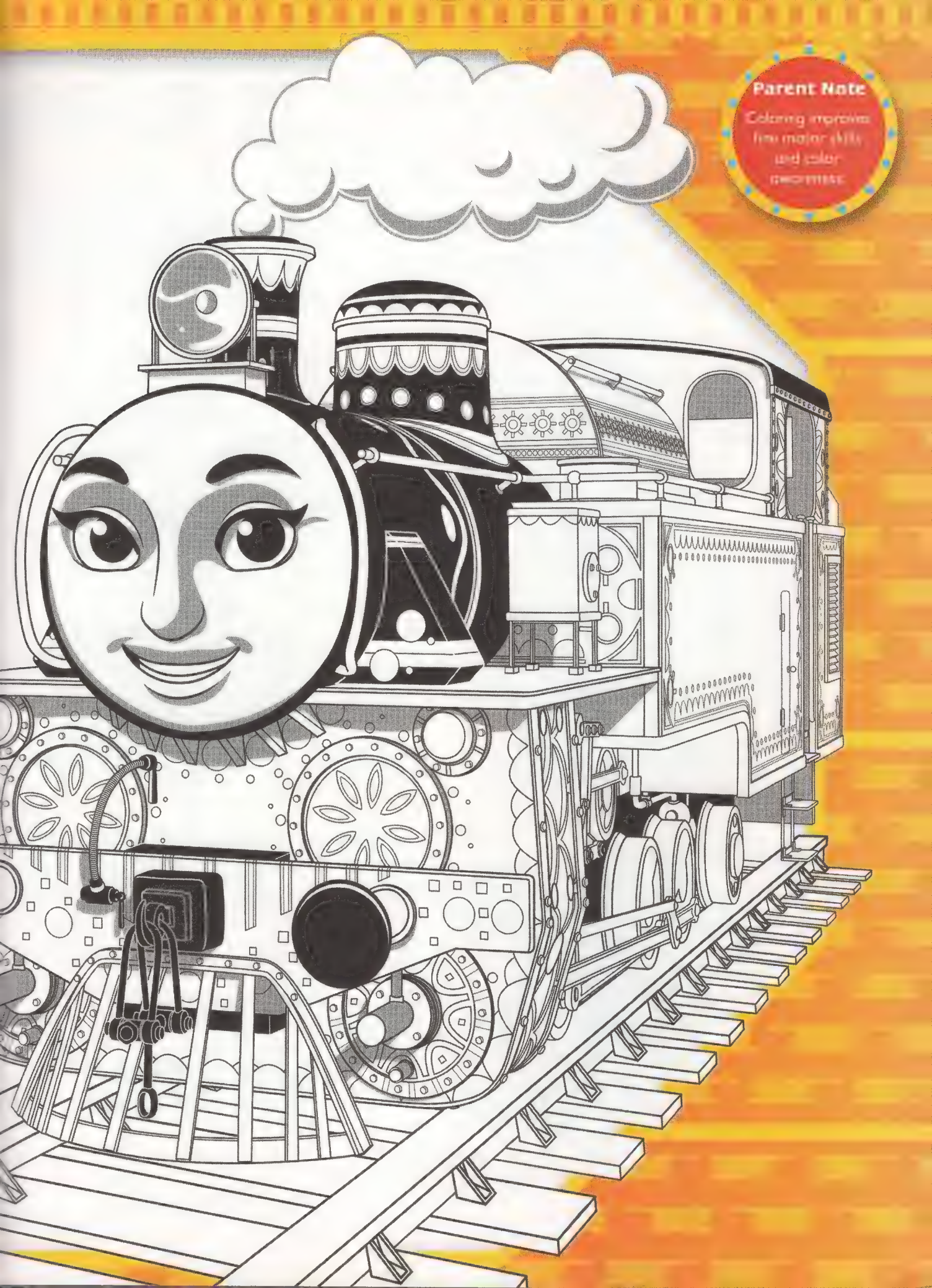
Meet Thomas' new friend, Ashima! Color the picture on the right using the smaller one to help you.

Ashima

Trace over the letters, starting at the dots.


Parent Note
Coloring improves fine motor skills and color awareness

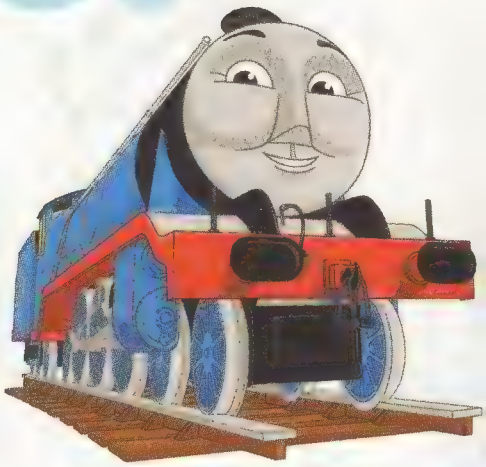
Trace over the letter G g. Then practice writing it on your own.

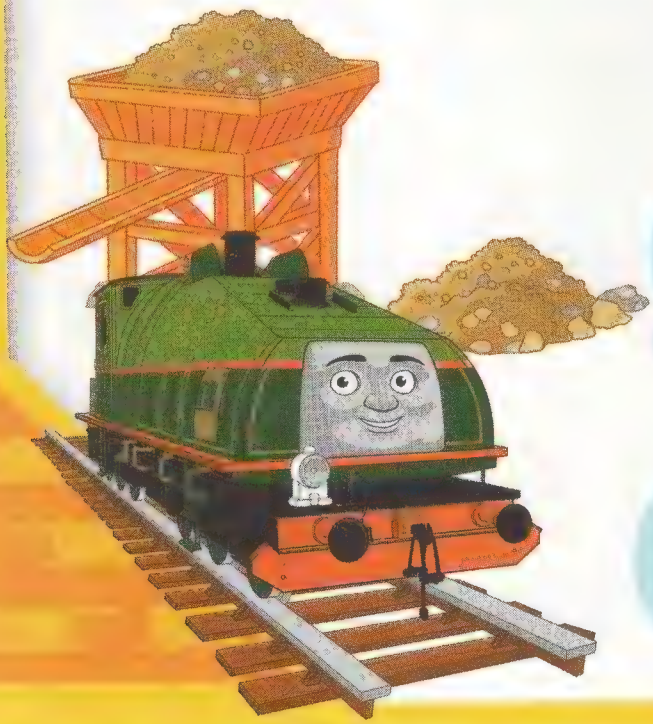
G g

Trace over these words that begin with G or g.

ghost

Gordon





gravel

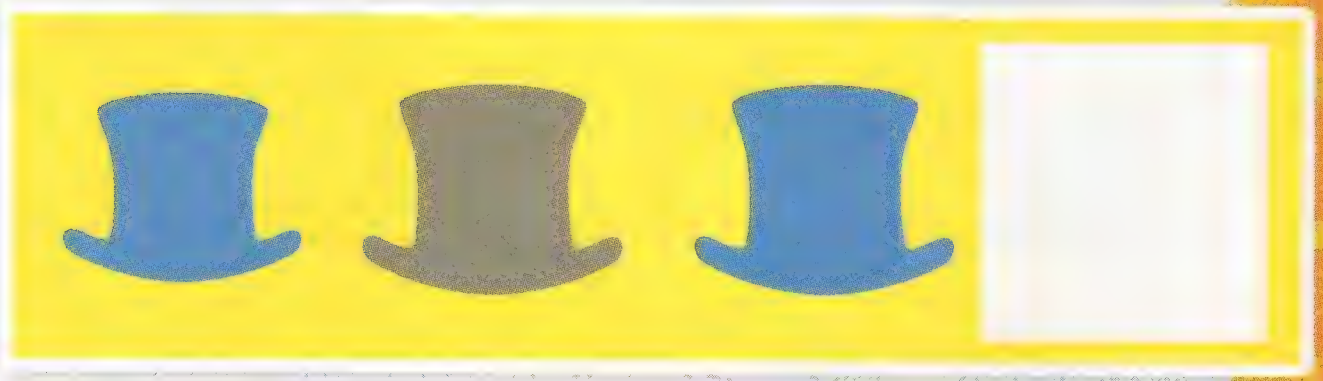
Gator

A B C D E F G H I J K L M

Parent Note

These activities help develop letter and pattern recognition.

Look at each row of patterns. In the white box, draw and color the item that comes next.



N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Thomas is going for a spooky ride!

Look carefully for the close-ups and check the blue boxes as you find each one.

Count these things for Thomas.

Write the numbers in the boxes.

☐ castle windows

☐ buffers

Parent Note

Looking closely at [illegible]

Check this box when you've found the white and yellow star.

Workbook

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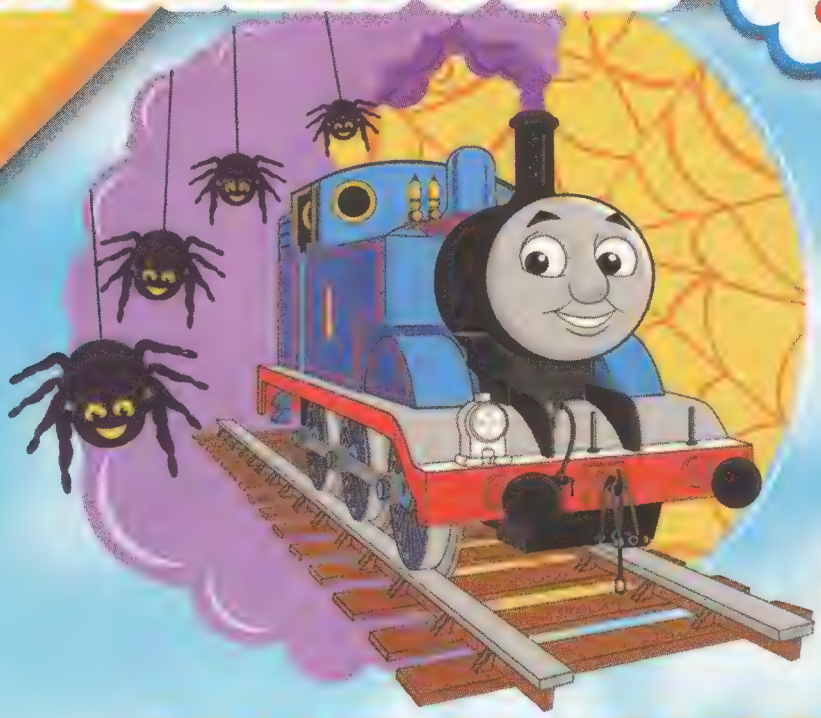

How many owls did you find?
Write the number in the box.

Color a star for each activity you have completed.

Count

Find

Color

Look

Write

Pattern

Congratulations!
You have finished your workbook.

Write your name here.

COLLECTIBLE FACT FILE

Salty

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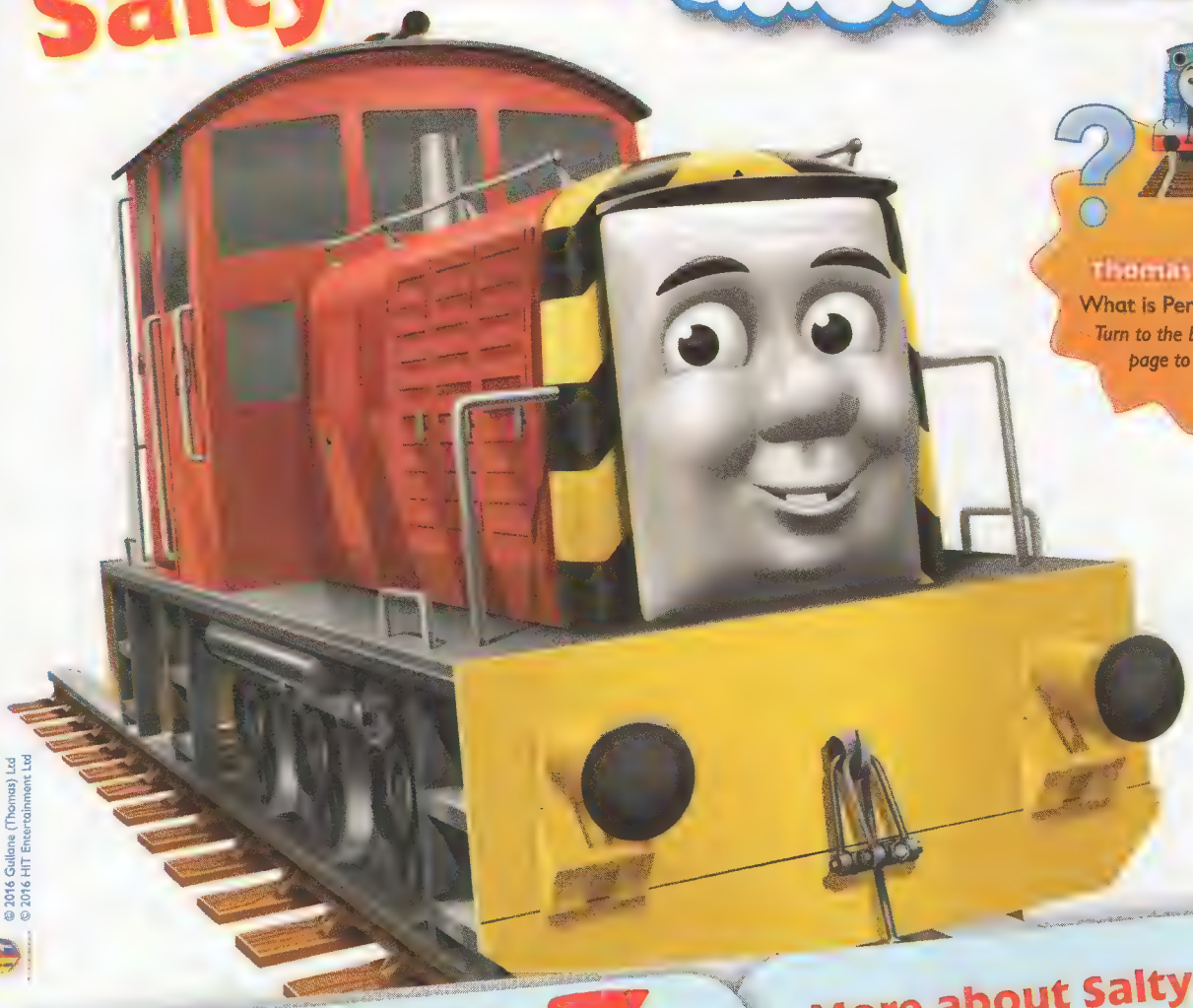

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Thomas Fun Fact

What is Percy's number?
Turn to the Bulletin Board page to find out!

FACT FILE

Name: Salty

Type: Dockside Diesel shunter

Color: Red, yellow, and black

Did you know? Salty worked on an unknown coastal railway for many years, where he acquired some fun stories and songs.

More about Salty:

Salty is a hardworking diesel engine who loves to tell tales about his life by the sea. He occasionally works in other parts of the Island, but is happiest by the Docks. Salty has a big heart and would help any engine, be it Steamie or Diesel.

Look for another Fact File in our next issue!

Pop-up picture

Follow the steps to create a spooky 3D Halloween decoration for your room.

You will need:

* Scissors
* Glue stick
* A grown-up to help you.

1 **Ask** your grown-up to help you cut out the pieces on the opposite page.

2 **Fold** the white rectangle so that it looks like this.

3 **Stick** the folded rectangle to the middle of the background. It should look like a little bridge.

4 **Spread** glue on the top of the bridge. Stick the scene on top so that it stands out from the background.

A Parent and Child Activity

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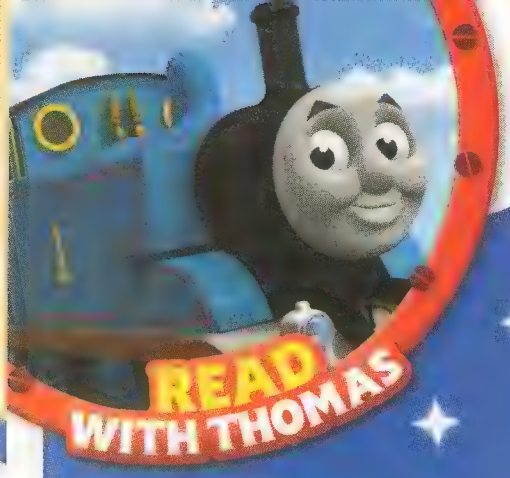

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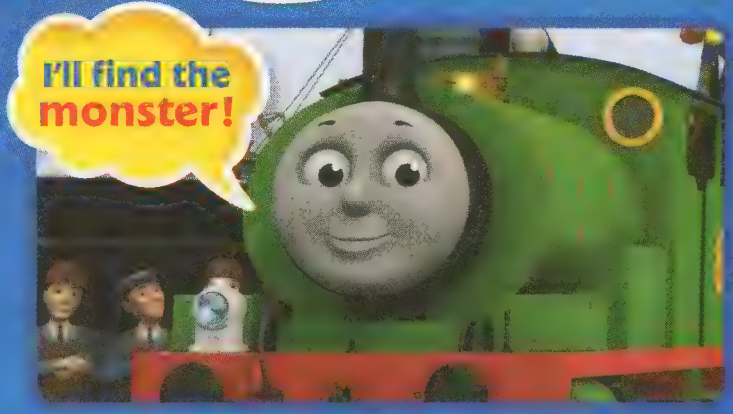
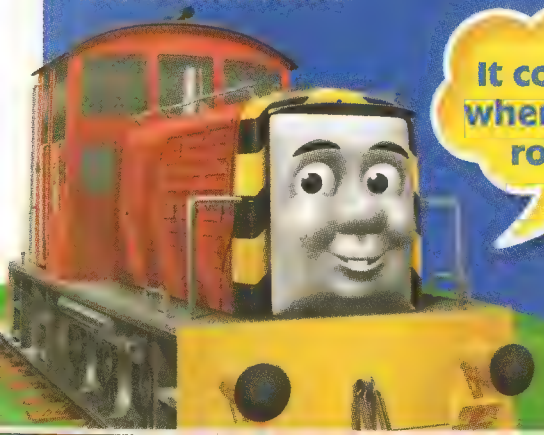


One morning, Percy was at Brendam Docks. "There's a fog rollin' in," croaked Salty. "I can feel it in my pistons. You'd better watch out for the Monster of Brendam!"

Percy's boiler bubbled with excitement. "What monster?" he asked. "Long ago," began Salty, "it was so foggy that the engines couldn't see beyond their buffers. Then, in the fog, one old engine saw a shape. It was tall like a tower. It turned and it twisted. It croaked and it creaked."

Percy's eyes were wide with wonder. "They say it was the Monster of Brendam," continued Salty. "It only comes out when the fog rolls in..." And with that Salty whirred off to the Dieselworks.



"There's no such thing as the Monster of Brendam," cranked Cranky. "Salty's just being silly."

Percy puffed carefully along as the fog swept in. "Would you like to help me find the Monster of Brendam?" he asked Edward. "That sounds scary!" Edward replied.

"Fizzling fireboxes!" gasped Percy. "There it is!" Ahead of them, half hidden by the fog, was a shape. It was as tall as a tower. Edward pumped his pistons and whooshed towards the shape... and right into Rocky!

Rocky was so surprised, he dropped an oil drum on to Edward's coal sacks. Coal dust flew everywhere! "Sorry, Rocky," said Edward. "We thought you were the monster," explained Percy. He steamed off to get help.

# of Brendam

SOMETHING TO **SHARE**

At the level crossing, Percy told Toby about the monster. Just then, Percy saw a shape in the fog. It was turning and twisting. "Bubbling boilers!" exclaimed Percy. "There it is!"

Toby rang his bell loud and long as he pulled away. Suddenly, some long poles fell onto the tracks. It was Butch! "We thought you were the Monster of Brendam," explained Percy, as he chuffed off to get help.

At the water tower, Percy told Henry about the monster. "It's over there," whispered Henry. "It's croaking and creaking." Then Henry raced away!

"Who's calling me a monster?" said the shape. Percy peered into the fog. With a croak and a creak, Diesel oiled towards him. "Out of my way, you silly Steamie!" he spluttered.

Percy whooshed all the way back to the Docks. "Oh no!" he gasped. "I was so busy looking for the monster, I forgot to help my friends!"

Percy chuffed back through the fog and found Edward and Toby. They all puffed into the Docks. Henry was whooshing and wheeshing with worry. "It's the monster!" he cried. There, in the fog, was a shape. It was tall like a tower. It twisted and turned. It croaked and it creaked. Then the monster spoke. "Where have you been, you silly Steamie?" it cranked. It was Cranky! "That's right," chuckled Salty. "Cranky is the Monster of Brendam!" Everyone laughed... except Cranky.

"Until next time!"

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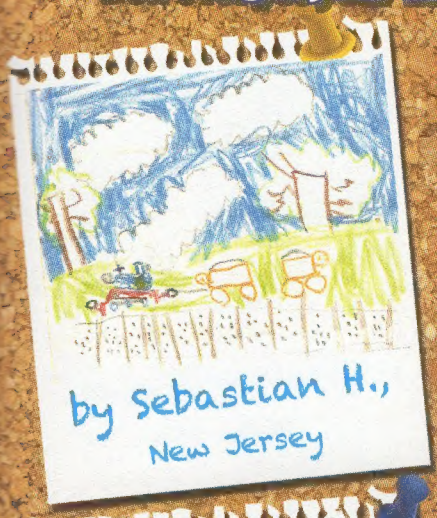

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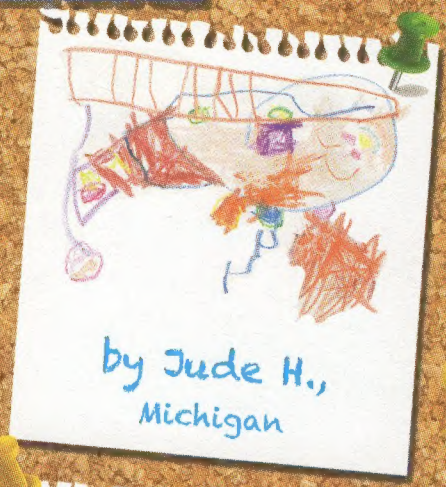

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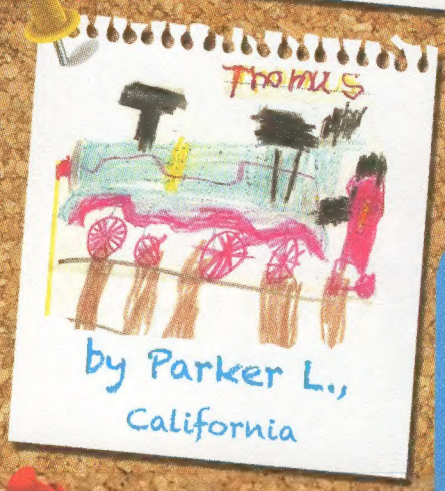

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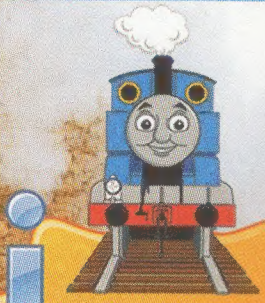

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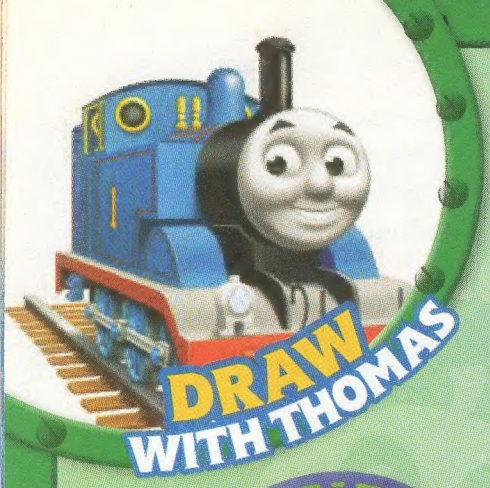

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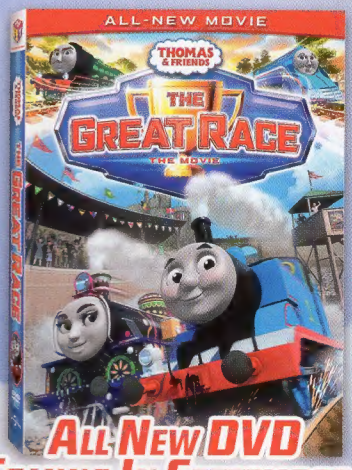

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